

King David PTA Chair Report

1st August 2018 to 31st July 2019.

Willow dome

In the fall of 2018 the King David PTA managed to secure £500 funding from the local charitable organisation 'Moseley in Bloom' to plant a beautiful willow dome in their front playground. This project was planned to coincide with Tu BiShvat, the Jewish New Year of the tree, a very important holiday in Judaism.

The dome was welcomed with songs by the children; Year 5 and 6 helped spreading the mulch and the PTA, along with a small team of parents' volunteers, planted it. It was a great event, attended by Moseley in Bloom as well, and now the willow dome stands proudly in the middle of the playground, cheering up the children and parents alike, especially in the spring when it's in full bloom.

Summer fair 2019

On the 23rd June 2019 we ran our annual summer fair.

The fair is a great opportunity for everyone to get together in a less formal setting and join in a fun day of celebration with games, music and food.

The main aim is to raise precious funds for the PTA so that we can continue to support the school in the best possible way. That year we raised over £1,300 which was then committed to be spent on the front playground thermal markings we have today.

The fair is a day full of activities where the wonderful parents all chip in by helping on the day and/or donating what they can.

We had music, stalls selling new toys, a very popular 2nd hand toys raffle and an even more popular bottle raffle where parents can try to win their favourite bottle of pop, juice and squash. We had a bouncy castle, guess the Teddy's name (which again is extremely well received), a juice bicycle, face painting and glittery tattoos stalls, balloon modelling, popcorn, candy floss, ice-cream, hot dogs and many other fun activities. It really is a fun-filled day, one that the children and parents always look forward to.

Playground thermal markings

These were organised and agreed during the summer term 2018, however they were actually paid for and executed during the summer holiday just before the start of the new academic year (2019-2020). The playground markings are high quality made of thermoplastic which will last 8 to 10 times longer than standard markings.

It was a great surprise for the children who were welcomed back into school by colourful footsteps from the main gate leading up to the school entrance. The rest of the markings are fun and educational at the same time, we have a big multi-sport court at one end of the playground, hopscotch, mirror games, shapes, a 'Golden

Mile' circuit and many more. The feedback received was very positive from pupils and parents alike.

Wall mural project:

This is another project that the PTA and the school started in the summer term of 2018. The idea was to paint a mural on the back wall of the front playground, a huge 7 panels wall that would be perfect for adding even more colour, cheerfulness and even an inspiring message to our school.

The children were involved in this project as each class, from Reception to YR6, had to come up with an idea for one wall panel to fit around the overall theme of ' Our school and our community'. We wanted the wall to represents what King David meant for the pupils and each class came up with amazing, colourful designs centered around the concepts of kindness, friendship, community, respect, love and the environment.

The PTA has made a cost plan, the designs have been finalised and we were ready to start between 2019-2020 but unfortunately, due to weather restrictions and also Covid19 later on, the project has been postponed. We are looking to re start the project before the winter term, weather permitting.

Recycled picnic benches:

We replaced the picnic benches in the back field that were a bit old and broken with some rainbow new benches made out of recycled materials. The colourful new benches provided the perfect solution for pupils in YR 5 and YR6 that wanted have their lunch outside in spring time and proved particularly useful during the summer fair.

PTA shed:

As the PTA started to grow we found we needed some space to store our equipment, donations and items we purchased for the school. We then purchased a shed that sits at the back of the school and was put together by one of our kind parents' volunteers.